

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
GREAT FALLS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, vs. \$155,379.00 IN U.S. CURRENCY, Defendant.	CV 21-104-GF-BMM JUDGMENT OF FORFEITURE
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THIS MATTER comes before the Court on the United States' Unopposed Motion for Judgment of Forfeiture of \$124,303.20 out of the \$155,379.00 in Defendant Currency, and any accrued interest.

The Court, having reviewed the United States' motion and the record in this matter, hereby FINDS:

In accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. Supplemental Rules A(2) and G(4)(a)-(b), the United States published and sent direct notice to an identified potential claimant to the above-captioned \$155,379.00 in Defendant Currency. (Docs. 2, 8, 12.)

Other than Claimant Michael Wakeford, no other parties have filed a claim to the Defendant Currency and the time for doing so has expired. (Docs. 9, 11-14.)

On March 5, 2024, the United States and Claimant Wakeford, via his attorney of record, James F. Gardner, executed a Settlement Agreement in which the United States agreed to return \$31,075.80 of the \$155,379.00 in Defendant Currency to Claimant Wakeford - who agreed to withdraw his claim to the remaining \$124,303.20 in Defendant Currency and agreed not to oppose the United States' Motion for Judgment of Forfeiture of it. (Doc. 39.)

Accordingly, the Court ORDERS:

1. The United States' Unopposed Motion for Judgment of Forfeiture of \$124,303.20 out of the \$155,379.00 in Defendant Currency, and any accrued interest, is GRANTED;
2. The \$124,303.20 in remaining Defendant Currency, and any accrued interest, is fully and finally forfeited, in its entirety, to the United States; and
3. The United States Department of Justice, the United States Marshals Service, and/or their agents and representatives, shall dispose of the \$124,303.20, and any accrued interest, in accordance with governing law.

DATED this 21st day of March, 2024.



Brian Morris, Chief District Judge
United States District Court